

Conjugating Verbs

Present Tense

Vocabulary: To conjugate

To conjugate a verb is to list together the verb and all of its personal endings, both singular and plural. Latin, like English, has 3 singular and 3 plural forms, which makes 6 total forms.

One of the very first Latin verbs you'll learn is the verb "to be." This is an irregular verb, which means it **does not** follow a particular **pattern**. You must **memorize** the forms of this verb.

Irregular Verb: Sum, Esse – to be

	Singular	Plural
1 st	Sum -	Sumus -
2 nd	Es -	Estis -
3 rd	Est -	Sunt -

Review:

To _____ a verb is to list together the verb and all of its personal endings, both singular and plural.

Regular Verbs:

Regular verbs follow a particular pattern and have six personal endings. **Personal endings** show who the **subject** of the verb is.

Personal Endings for Regular Verbs:

	Singular	Plural
1 st	O -	MUS -
2 nd	S -	TIS -
3 rd	T -	NT -

Rules for Conjugating Verbs

Ambulo, Ambulare - to walk

First word = Ambulo

Base = Ambula- ~~re~~

	Singular	Plural
1 st	Ambulo	Ambula
2 nd	Ambula	Ambula
3 rd	Ambula	Ambula

Conjugate and Translate: Ceno, Cenare – dine

Singular

Plural

1 st	
2 nd	
3 rd	

Conjugate and Translate: Narro, Narrare – tell

Singular

Plural

1 st	
2 nd	
3 rd	